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HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION 800 BLOCK OF EAST WETMORE ROAD

On January 21, 2022, just before 9:00 a.m., officers from Operations Division West were dispatched to a request for police assistance in the 800 block of E. Wetmore Rd. Upon arrival, officers located an adult male in the complex's common area with obvious signs of trauma and immediately began rendering aid utilizing their Individual First Aid Kits (IFAK). Tucson Fire personnel arrived and continued lifesaving efforts, ultimately transporting the victim to Banner University Medical Center with life-threatening injuries. Shortly after arriving at the hospital he was pronounced deceased. He has been identified as 48-year-old **Rafael Martinez**. Next of kin was notified of his passing.

Detectives with the Homicide Unit responded to continue the investigation. Detectives learned that the victim was in an argument with another individual, and a confrontation ensued. Soon after, the victim was seen walking to the courtyard where he was located by responding officers.

Details are extremely limited at this time, and additional information will be released as it becomes available. There are no suspects in custody, and detectives are asking anyone with information to call 88-CRIME. You can remain anonymous.

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